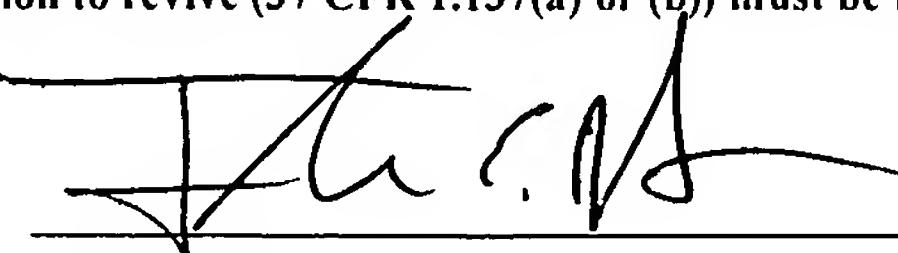


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<b>TRANSMITTAL LETTER TO THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US) CONCERNING A FILING UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371</b>		<b>ATTORNEY'S DOCKET NUMBER</b> <b>16518.156</b> <b>U.S. APPLICATION NO. (If known, see 37 CFR 1.5)</b> <b>10/518752</b>
INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO. <b>PCT/US2003/019441</b>	INTERNATIONAL FILING DATE <b>20 June 2003 (20.06.2003)</b>	PRIORITY DATE CLAIMED <b>21 June 2002 (21.06.2002)</b>
TITLE OF INVENTION <b>Thioesterase-Related Nucleic Acid Sequences and Methods of Use for the Production of Plants with Modified Fatty Acid Composition</b>		
APPLICANT(S) FOR DO/EO/US <b>Katayoon DEHESH et al.</b>		
Applicant herewith submits to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) the following items and other information:		
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> This is a <b>FIRST</b> submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. 371.</li> <li>2. <input type="checkbox"/> This is a <b>SECOND</b> or <b>SUBSEQUENT</b> submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. 371.</li> <li>3. <input type="checkbox"/> This is an express request to begin national examination procedures (35 U.S.C. 371(f)). The submission must include items (5), (6), (9) and (21) indicated below.</li> <li>4. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The US has been elected (Article 31).</li> <li>5. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A copy of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2))             <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. <input type="checkbox"/> is attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau).</li> <li>b. <input type="checkbox"/> has been communicated by the International Bureau.</li> <li>c. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> is not required, as the application was filed in the United States Receiving Office (RO/US); however, a courtesy copy is attached.</li> </ol> </li> <li>6. <input type="checkbox"/> An English language translation of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2)).             <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. <input type="checkbox"/> is attached hereto.</li> <li>b. <input type="checkbox"/> has been previously submitted under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).</li> </ol> </li> <li>7. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Amendments to the claims of the International Application under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3))             <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. <input type="checkbox"/> are attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau).</li> <li>b. <input type="checkbox"/> have been communicated by the International Bureau.</li> <li>c. <input type="checkbox"/> have not been made; however, the time limit for making such amendments has NOT expired.</li> <li>d. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> have not been made and will not be made.</li> </ol> </li> <li>8. <input type="checkbox"/> An English language translation of the amendments to the claims under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)).</li> <li>9. <input type="checkbox"/> An oath or declaration of the inventor(s) (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(4)).</li> <li>10. <input type="checkbox"/> An English language translation of the annexes of the International Preliminary Examination Report under PCT Article 36 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(5)).</li> </ol>		
<b>Items 11 to 20 below concern document(s) or information included:</b> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>11. <input type="checkbox"/> An Information Disclosure Statement under 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98.</li> <li>12. <input type="checkbox"/> An assignment document for recording. A separate cover sheet in compliance with 37 CFR 3.28 and 3.31 is included.</li> <li>13. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A preliminary amendment.</li> <li>14. <input type="checkbox"/> An Application Data Sheet under 37 CFR 1.76.</li> <li>15. <input type="checkbox"/> A substitute specification.</li> <li>16. <input type="checkbox"/> A power of attorney and/or change of address letter.</li> <li>17. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A computer-readable form of the sequence listing in accordance with PCT Rule 13ter.2 and 37 CFR 1.821 – 1.825.</li> <li>18. <input type="checkbox"/> A second copy of the published International Application under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).</li> <li>19. <input type="checkbox"/> A second copy of the English language translation of the international application under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).</li> <li>20. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other items or information: Copy of Replacement Sheets 42-46 containing Article 34 amendments to the claims (filed on December 16, 2004, with Letter Transmitting Replacement Sheets Containing Amendment to the Claims under PCT Article 34); and Statement Regarding Sequence Submission</li> </ol>		

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Re: U.S. National Phase Application based on  
Int'l Appln. No. PCT/US2003/019441 filed 20 June 2003  
Earliest Priority Date: 21 June 2002  
Inventor: Katayoon DEHESH *et al.*  
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Atty Docket: 16518.156

Sir:

The following documents are forwarded herewith for appropriate action by the U.S.  
Patent and Trademark Office (PTO):

1. Transmittal Letter to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US)  
Concerning a Filing under 35 U.S.C. 371 (PTO-1390), in duplicate;
2. U.S. National Phase Application entitled:

**Thioesterase-Related Nucleic Acid Sequences and Methods of Use for  
the Production of Plants with Modified Fatty Acid Composition**

and naming as inventor:

**Katayoon DEHESH, and Vic C. KNAUF;**

the application consisting of:

- a. specification containing:
  - (i). 1 page of bibliographic data and published abstract from WO 04/001001 A2 (publication of Int'l Appln. PCT/US03/19445);
  - (ii). 41 pages of a description prior to the claims; and
  - (iii). 4 pages of claims;

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- b. 11 pages of a sequence listing; and
- c. 8 sheets of Drawings (Figures 1-8);
- 3. Floppy diskette containing sequence listing in computer-readable form;
- 4. Statement Regarding Sequence Submission;
- 5. Copy of Replacement Sheets 42-46 containing Article 34 amendments to the claims (filed on December 16, 2004, with Letter Transmitting Replacement Sheets Containing Amendment to the Claims under PCT Article 34);
- 6. Preliminary Amendment (with amended claims – 30 claims); and
- 7. Two (2) return postcards.

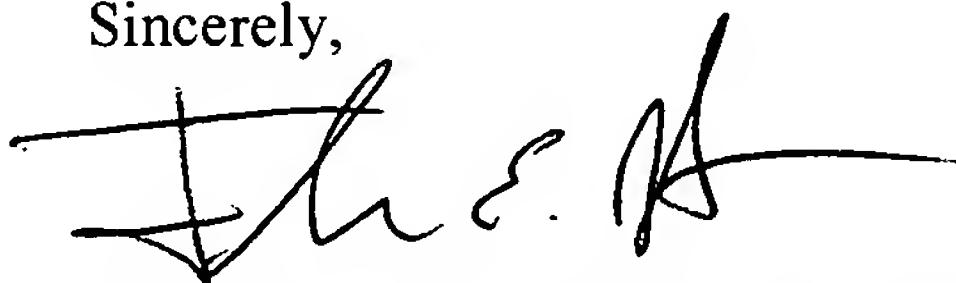
This application claims priority to U.S. Application No. 60/390,185 filed June 21, 2002.

Submitted herewith is a paper copy of the sequence listing and a floppy diskette containing the sequence listing in Computer Readable Form (CRF). The enclosed floppy diskette contains one file called "16518128 Seq Listing.txt" which is 19,552 bytes in size (measured in MS-DOS) and was created on June 20, 2003.

Please stamp one of the two attached postcards with the filing date of these documents and return it to our courier, and stamp the other prepaid postcard with the filing date and unofficial application number and return it as soon as possible.

This application is being submitted without an executed Declaration. Authorization to charge the filing fees to counsel's deposit account is given in the accompanying Form PTO-1390. Applicants do not believe any additional fees, other than those provided for on the accompanying Form PTO-1390 are due in conjunction with this filing. However, if any fees are required in the present application, including any fees for extensions of time, authorization is given in the accompanying Form PTO-1390 to charge such fees to counsel's deposit account.

Sincerely,



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David R. Marsh (Reg. No. 41,408)

Enclosures